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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR THE SITUATION-DEPENDENT ARRANGEMENT AND/OR ACTIVATION OF

RESOURCES

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please change "1" to "21" in line one of each of the following claims: 2, 3, 5, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19 and 20.

Claim 21, line 11, cancel -- optionally --.

Cancel claims 23 and 25.

Add the following new claim:

32. A method for activating resources for carrying out a job comprising the steps of:

providing a database of resources, resource properties, and resource statuses;

providing an electronic description of jobs to be

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